2002-03, the Government has sanctioned a project for strengthening and upgradation of sub-transmission and distribution in Jodhpur city at a projected cost of Rs. 55.60 crores under Accelerated Power Development and Reforms Programme (APDRP).

(c) Upto 31.3.2003, an expenditure of Rs. 15.00 crores has been incurred under the above programme.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Do not arise in view of reply to (d) above.

Supply of Power to Kerala

373. SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the competent authority has represented for more power from Centre since the power generation front of Kerala was bleak during the last three months;

(b) if so, the details of action taken including the total supply of power to Korala from other States for the last three years; year-wise, month-wise and category-wise;

(c) whether the supply from Ramagundam Station of NTPC and other grids to Kerala has been restored fully;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether there is any proposal to restructure the activities including power generation of Kerala State Electricity Board; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) Kerala State Electricity Board [KSEB] had requested Ministry of Power, Government of India for emergency allocation of 200 MW of power from Eastern Region in the wake of total shut down of KSEB'S Sabarigiri Hydro Electric Project due to a fire mishap on 7.3.2003. Accordingly, allocation to Kerala was enhanced from 25% to 35% from unallocated quota of Central

Generating Stations in Southern Region with effect from 16.3.2003 besides enhancement of entitlement of KSEB by 100 MW off peak surplus power in Eastern Region. KSEB again requested to allocate power to the tune of 200 MW from Central Pool due to delay in onset of monsoon in Kerala. As all the States in the Southern Region were then experiencing power shortages and also hydro reservoir position in none of the Southern States was satisfactory, no additional allocation to Kerala was possible.

Kerala received an assistance to the tune of 383 MU, 636 MU, 728 MU and 202 MU from neighbouring States/Regions during the years 2000-01, 2001-02, 2002-03 and 2003-04 (Upto June, 03) respectively as per details given in the Statement enclosed. (See below)

(c) to (e) The supply from Ramagundam Power Stations and other grids to Kerala is presently available.

(f) and (g) According to Kerala State Electricity Board, the KSEB has already been restructured into three Profit Centres *viz.* Generation, Transmission and Distribution and a Corporate Office with effect from 1st April, 2002.

Statement

Details of Assistance received by Kerala from other States/Regions

[All Figures in MUs]

From				From			
Year month	Eastern Region	Western Region	Total	Year/month	Eastern Region	Western Region	Total
2000-01				2001-02			
April-00	25.5	Nil	25.5	April-01	28.7	1.8	30.5
May-00	23.1	3.4	26.5	May-01	36.7	2.1	38.8
Jun-00	26.5	2.4	28.9	Jun-01	33.9	6.2	40.1
Jul-00	33	6.9	39.9	Jul-01	43.5	16.5	60
Aug-00	23.3	0.6	23.9	Aug-01	46.3	7.3	53.8
Sep-00	29.4	1.6	31	Sep-01	41.2	1.2.	42.4
Oct-00	35.1	0.2	35.3	Octroi	40.3	0.1	40.4

	From				From		
Year month	Eastern Region	Western Region	Total	Year/month	Eastern Region	Western Region	Total
Nov-00	33.1	0	33.1	Nov-01	43.3	0.1	43.4
Dec-00	27.6	0.9	28.5	Dec-01	71.7	0.4	72.1
Jan-01	29.4	3.1	32.5	Jan-02	69.4	2.6	72
Feb-01	32.5	4.7	37.2	Feb-02	67.4	1.9	69.3
Mar-01	38.3	2.8	41.1	Mar-02	68.5	4.8	73.3
TOTAL:	356.8	26.6	383.4	Total:	590.9	45	635.9

	From		From	
Year month	Eastern Region	Western Region	West Bengal	Total
2002-03				
May-02	44.1	Nil	Nil	44.1
Jun-02	50.8	Nil	Nil	50.8
Jul-02	48.7	Nil	Nil	48.7
Aug-02	55.2	2.8	Nil	58
Sep-02	61.4	4.9	Nil	66.3
Oct-02	62.4	Nil	Nil	62.4
Nov-02	54.7	Nil	Nil	54.7
Dec-02	67.8	Nil	Nil	67.8
Jan-03	96.2	Nil	Nil	96.2
Feb-03	70	Nil	Nil	70
Mar-03	74.4	2.5	32.6	109.5
TOTAL:	688.7	10.2	32.6	728.5

Year month	From Eastern Region	Western Region	From West Bengal	DVC	TOTAL
2003-04					
April-03	62.9	0.8	33.2	Nil	96.9
May-03	9.7	14.9	Nil	32.5	57.1
June-03	29.3	Nil	Nil	18.9	48.2
TOTAL :	101.9	15.7	33.2	51.4	02.2

National Power Policy

374. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is thinking of having a new national power policy aiming at providing power to all and also for greater private participation in the rural energy sector;

(b) if so, the salient features of the proposed policy;

(c) whether Government is also thinking of putting forth the national tariff policy; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (d) The Electricity Act, 2003 has come into force *w.e.f.* 10th June, 2003. Under the provisions of the Act, the Central Government is required to prepare National Electricity Policy and tariff policy, national policy on stand alone systems for rural areas and policy for rural electrification and management of local distribution in rural areas.

Equity support to Hydel Power projects

375. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are planning to provide equity support to